

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 75

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 148

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 75—Relative to the California Council on Science and Technology.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 75, Bonilla. California Council on Science and Technology.

This measure would honor the California Council on Science and Technology for 25 years of service and unbiased advice to the State of California.

WHEREAS, The California Council on Science and Technology (CCST) will celebrate its 25th anniversary during the year 2013, and in recognition thereof, it is deserving of special public commendations; and

WHEREAS, The CCST, as envisioned by the California State Legislature in 1988 by Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 162, was created to ensure the state's competitiveness in science and technology; and

WHEREAS, The CCST was directed to bring together experts from academia, industry, and other research institutions in California to provide impartial analyses on science and technological issues affecting the State of California; and

WHEREAS, These scientists and engineers have responded to requests for analyses on significant and challenging science and technology related issues in California, ranging from education to climate change and exploring California's energy future; and

WHEREAS, The CCST has worked effectively with the Legislature, the Governor's office, and many state agencies to accomplish these ends; and

WHEREAS, The CCST has expanded its scope to include a formal partnership with six major federal laboratories in California and established a California teachers advisory council; and

WHEREAS, The California Science and Technology Policy Fellowships, offered by the CCST, place professional scientists and engineers in the California State Legislature for one-year appointments. These professional development opportunities enable fellows to work hands on with policymakers to develop solutions to complex scientific and technical issues facing California through their interaction with the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, The CCST's accomplishments as a voice for California's science and technology community have led to collaborations with the national academies; and

WHEREAS, The maintenance of California's scientific and technological infrastructure is vital to the continued growth of this state's economy; and

WHEREAS, The CCST has proven an effective and dedicated organization to the study, preservation, and enhancement of this infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, The CCST has successfully represented California's science and technology professions at the highest level providing independent and objective analyses to the state as requested or identified as important to the state by its own analysis; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature honors the California Council on Science and Technology for 25 years of service and unbiased advice to the State of California; and be it further,

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the chairperson of the CCST and to the author for appropriate distribution.